

HAMATEURCHATTER

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From The President's Desk

It comes down to personal responsibility...

Last year John Kraak, KF9XL, our Nominating Committee Chairman pleaded and begged to generate a sense of responsibility that caused Mark - AB9CD and myself - W9UQ to volunteer to take on "roles" as officers of this club. It is that time of the year again and it is time for you (dear reader) to consider what you can do to help our club.

It may be that you are not ready to take on a board position, but how about considering helping one of the board members with his/her pet project? And who says: "...you are not ready to take on a board position?" Have you tried one lately? This board is dynamic, has fun, is nonpolitical (it's easy - if anyone gets that way the rest of the board members shoot them...) and we actually have such a good club that our only worries are:

1. Where to meet next?
2. Articles for the Chatter.
3. What is the program for the membership meeting?
4. Are enough people coming to Field Day?
5. What is the movie for Field Day Saturday night?

Not all necessarily in that order. We do keep a perspective that all of us are volunteers of sorts and that we all have primary responsibilities outside of this organization. So - please consider running for one of the open

"board slots" and exploring a new way to have fun with friends!

We do have responsibilities as board members - we are a Corporation in the State of Wisconsin and as such, we have specific expectations that we must fulfill formally. President, Secretary and Treasurer's job are defined for us by the incorporation statutes, as well as the various reports, forms, and procedures we must follow. The Vice president's job is not as clear and leaves a lot open to the individual's imagination once the "assume the duties of the president in his absence" part is taken care of. The rest of the board members provide a supporting role to the various

needs of the club - publication of the Chatter is one that comes to mind. - Field Day organization is another. We consider ourselves an "educational" club - we strive to hold classes and bring new Hams into the fold as well as provide the opportunity for those who want to upgrade. We run a repeater, but I wager that most of our members spend more time on HF in various modes than on 2 meter FM... Still we have a responsibility to maintain the good operation of our repeater. We actually have quite an active club! Or I should say a club with a lot of activities. While I see a lot of you at our monthly membership meetings, there are many of you who do not participate in the other activities - my thought is that maybe we have picked the wrong activity for you... if there is something you would like the club to try - let one of the board members know! Please!



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Patrick Moretti
W9UQ*

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Milwaukee Area Nets

DAY	TIME	MHz	ACTIVITY
Daily	6:00 PM	1.895	MidEast 160 mtr. Net
Daily	6-8:00 AM	14.290	Wisconsin/Florida (SSB)
Daily	7:30 AM	144.155	Breakfast RoundTable (SSB)
Daily	6:30 PM	3.645	WI Slow Speed CW Traffic
Mon.-Sat.	12:00 PM	28.380	10/10 International Net
Mon.	8:00 PM	3.994	Tech Net
Mon.	8:00 PM	146.865-	ARES Net (Walworth and ARRL news)
Mon.	8:00 PM	146.445	Emergency Net
Mon.	8:00 PM	146.865-	ARES Net (Walworth)
Mon.	8:45 PM	146.670-	ARRL voice news (ARES)
Mon.	9:00 PM	50.160	6 mtr.SSB NET
Mon.	9:00 PM	146.670-	ARES Net (Milwaukee-Waukesha)
Mon.	9:00 PM	50.160	6 Mtr. SSB Net
Tue.	9:00 AM	50.160	6 Mtr. 2nd Shifter's SSB Net
Tue.	8:00 PM	144.250	Badger Contesters (SSB)
Tue.	8:00 PM	7.035	A.F.A.R. (CW)

DAY	TIME	MHz	ACTIVITY
Tue.	8:30 PM	223.500	X-Country Simplex Group (FM)
Tue.	9:00 PM	50.160	6 mtr. SSB Net.
Wed.	8:00 PM	28.365	10/10 Internat. (Milwaukee Ch.) (SSB)
Wed.	8:00 PM	145.130	ARRL voice news
Wed.	8:00 PM	147.270+	Weather & Swap net.
Wed.	9:00 PM	145.130	AMSAT net
Thu.	9:00 PM	50.160	6 mtr. SSB Net.
Thu.	9:00 PM	146.910-	Computer Net
Fri	8:30 PM	28.490	MRAC W9RH 10 meter Net (SSB)
Fri.	9:00 PM	145.390-	W9RH 2 mtr. FM Net after 10mtr.
Sat	9:00 PM	146.910-	Saturday Night Fun Net
Sun.	8:30 AM	3.985	QCWA (Chptr 55) (SSB)
Sun.	9:00 AM	145.565	X-Country Simplex Group (FM)
Sun.	10:00 AM	443.800+	FM-38 link to 146.88 Baraboo SWAP Net
Sun.	8:00 PM	28.365	10/10 International (Milwaukee Ch.) (SSB)
Sun.	8:00 PM	146.910-	Information Net
Sun.	9:00 PM	146.910-Swap Net Mon-Fri	

2 meter repeaters are offset by 600KHz

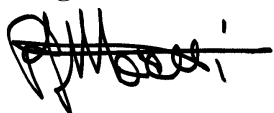
70 centimeter repeaters are offset by 5 MHz

SSB frequencies below 20 meters are LSB and for 20 mtrs and above are USB

Prez Cont. from pg. 1

Who of you knows someone in the Media? We need to establish as many Media contacts as possible – the ARRL provided an article titled “Its Not Just for Field Day” that reminded me that I have another job/responsibility in Amateur Radio – I am the ARRL Public Information Coordinator for Wisconsin (PIC for short) and that means that I should be striving to get local media to recognize us and to laud our accomplishments to the public at large! This means that I need help from you! So - Who knows someone in the Media? It would benefit the club and Amateur Radio as a whole if more accomplishment related articles made it into the local papers and radio/TV media. Besides Field Day that is... Let me know if and how you can help.

Best regards,



Patrick
W9UQ

Programs?

If any of you have a program which would be interesting to our members, please don't be shy about letting us know about it. Or if you know of an interesting program by anyone else for our meetings don't hesitate, let us know about these programs. We'll see what we can do to bring them to reality.

Contact any of our officers. names and contact is on the front page of 'Chatter.

QST Donation

MRAC thanks Rod Synnes, W9GKZ, for his donation of QST magazines dating from 1949 to 2000. While we haven't yet opened all the boxes, these are mostly complete sets of QST from these years. If interested in looking through a back issue, see one of the officers at a meeting. Thanks to Rod for thinking of us! - MRAC.

Mark - AB9CD

HamateurChatter

HamateurChatter is the newsletter of MRAC (Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club) which is a not for profit organization for the advancement of amateur radio and the maintenance of fraternalism and a high standard of conduct.

MRAC Membership dues are \$17.⁰⁰ per year and run on a calendar year starting with January 1.

Our Club/VEC Phone no. is

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Our meetings are normally held at 7:00 PM. the last Thursday of the month except for December.

If you have articles or other correspondence for the 'Chatter, please contact Pancho Doneis at: (414) 344-4694 or Email me at: pancho@thepark.net

Membership Meeting Mar. 27, 2003

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm by club president Patrick - W9UQ. The microphone was passed for introductions. Tom - AB9EK, the club's secretary, read the minutes of the February meeting. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed. Les - AB9EY, the club's treasurer, gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as read. Motion passed. Les then announced his resignation as the club's treasurer. He gave a short statement as to why he was resigning and thanked members for their support. We now are looking for a new treasurer.

Old Business: Jerry - WA9CGE is looking for station captains for Field Day. We will have four stations set up but will be operating all bands. Each station will be operating multiple bands. See Jerry if you can help. Also think of a movie you would like to see that night at Field Day. This will be the question on the sign in sheet next month.

The repeater was off the air from time to time during the week of March 21-26. The Technical committee has been looking for the problem.

Mark - AB9CD stated that the repeater might get moved to its new location in a month or two.

Patrick stated that we need volunteers for a Membership Committee. This committee would provide services to the members such as change of address, phone number etc. and look for new members. Patrick asked if the members would want a membership card or not. A show of hands was asked for and the majority does not want a membership card. We will not have membership cards.

Pancho - KA9OFA read a thank you card from Nancy, the wife of Tom Gettelman who passed away, thanking the club for the card we sent.

VEC: Tom - KF9PU stated that there will be testing on April 5th at AES in conjunction with Superfest. There will also be testing on the last Saturday of May. The testing team will then break for the summer but will hold a testing session in July. A new question pool for the Technician Class will be used starting in July. The VE's will have a meeting on March 30th to discuss a manual to be used as a guide for the testing team. Tom - KG9EE and the rest of the VECs put the manual together.

FM Contest: Sherm - KB9Q stated that there were 35-40 participants in the contest that was held on February 9th. He received logs from 15-18 participants and sent out notices to those who had not sent in their logs. He will have a list of the participants and winners at Superfest. Certificates will be sent out at the end of April. Patrick suggested that the contest committee submit an article to QST about the contest.

Howard is looking for help in traffic handling and someone with a HF rig that will work on 75 meters. He is doing a presentation on traffic handling at the State Home Schooling Conference on May 8-10th. Howard will be there for the entire weekend. Patrick stated that he would contact the section manager for help in this matter.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm. Meeting adjourned. Skip - WD9HAS on Severe Weather Spotter Training, provided the program. Due to a power outage at 8:05PM we were not able to continue with the program. Skip will be back in April to do it again.

Respectful submitted



Tom Schulte - AB9EK
Club Secretary

Upcoming Programs

Because of a power failure bringing our March meeting to a rather abrupt halt, the Weather Spotter Training program by Skip Voros - WD9HAS will recommence at our April 24th meeting and we will have our Auction at our May 29th meeting. Our June meeting will feature Dick Wood doing a presentation on QRP.

If any of you have a program which would be interesting to our members, please don't be shy about letting us know about it. Or if you know of an interesting program by anyone else for our meetings don't hesitate, let us know about these programs. We'll see what we can do to bring them to reality.

Exam Requirements

When coming to take an exam, please **bring your present original license** (if you have one) **plus a copy** for our records. Also bring **any CSCE's (and a copy of each)** which might pertain to the license upgrade for which you are striving. If you wish to apply for a grandfathered credit (for example, an old novice license credit for the EL-1 code exam) you must furnish **written proof of this credit**. Please bring along **2 forms of ID** including

one with your picture. The fee for the exam remains at \$8.⁰⁰. If you need to retake an exam element at the same session, a separate \$8.⁰⁰ fee is charged. Please bring a pen, pencils, and a simple, non-programmable calculator and **no cell phones**.

Thank you.



John - KF9XL

NOAA Weather Radio (NWR)?

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In this issue of the Chatter we continue to explore NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) and why every household should own a weather alert radio. It should be considered as essential as a smoke alarm.

Do you have a similar program for communicating warnings to the hearing/visually impaired?

The hearing and visually impaired can also get these warnings by connecting a specially-designed weather radio to other kinds of attention-getting devices like strobe lights, bed-shakers, personal computers and text printers. Many pager companies now offer alerting pagers that provide the latest

weather information.

Where can those items be purchased?

Some NWR receivers have a connector on the back to control all sorts of remote control devices such as flashing lights, bed shakers or other attention-getting devices. Check with electronics stores, electronics catalogs or conduct an Internet search for more details. Pager companies can give you information on weather-related information products.

Brian K9LCC

Next month more questions and answers about NWR.

SK - AA9PC

Anton P. "Tony" Schemick - AA9PC became an SK on Mon., March 31, 2003 at age 89. Preceded in death by his loving wife Elvira (nee Laatsch) and his beloved daughter Diane B. Anderle. Cherished grandpa of Jill (John) Guglielmi and David (Terri) Anderle. Great grandpa of Joshua, Paige, and Brittany.

The service was on April 05, 2003.

He was a member of MRAC since 1971 and was active on 10 and 20 meters.

Miller Ride for the Arts

Miller Ride 2003 - June 1, 2003
Greetings!

It's time to get ready again for the Miller Lite Ride for the Arts.

A new Port Washington route will pose special challenges but should attract a larger pack of riders to the event. More volunteers will be needed than ever before. We need your help and anyone else you can recommend.

The ride will be comprised of 5 routes (all start at the Marcus Center):

1. 5 m route around Veterans Park
2. 25 m route south to Grant Park
3. 15 m route south to St. Francis High School
4. 50 m route north to Concordia University
5. Brand new 75 m route north to the Allen Edmonds Factory in Port Washington

Special planning has taken place from several angles to ensure a smoother ride this year. Many of your critique comments from last year are being implemented.

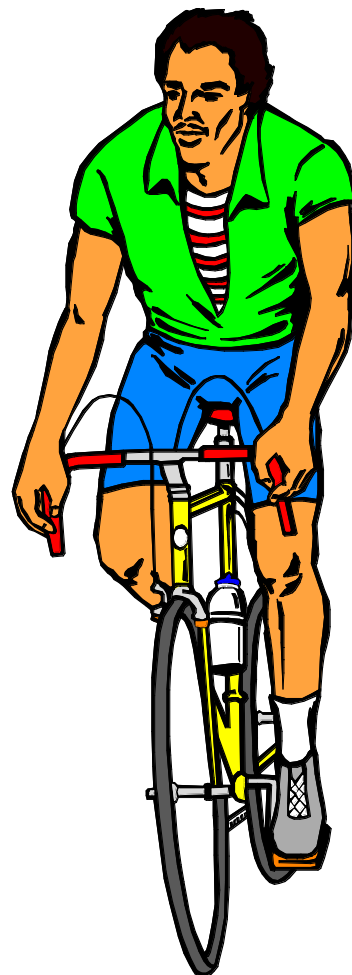
Information dissemination will be accomplished by a special web page on the ARES website. This should ease the burden of email transfers. Volunteers will receive further updates via email and the website when it is finished. There are many changes and special needs that you will be made aware of.

Please reply to this email if you can help. Provide any contact information or assignment preferences.

John Kopmeier - N9ZJD

To sign up, contact:

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W9WCF, exN9IBU, exKA9GVX, ex WN9WCF



W9WCF William "Bill" Fullhart seated at the operating position of his nicely laid out HAM station.

Bill's been a member of MRAC since 1949

The Shack

The station gear is as follows: Kenwood TS-940S, Ameritron AL-811 amplifier, Ameritron ATR-15 antenna tuner feeding a Cushcraft A3S beam for 10/15/20 meters or inverted "V" dipole for 40/80 meters. The monitor on the left is for weather station equipment the Badger Weather Net reporting every morning on 3.985 from 5:15am to 7:15am. Monitor on the right is for the W9WCF station operating programs, RTTY, Packet, PSK31, etc.

The Ham

I have been a member of MRAC on and off since 1949 when Edward - W9BVZ got me hooked on ham radio and I joined the club. I was a SWL until 1954 when I received WN9WCF (novice) call, but I went into the Navy that year as a radioman aboard a destroyer out of Norfolk, VA as all services go being a radioman you think I would be sending CW, no way.... teletype operator 90% of the time.

I returned to Amateur Radio again in 1981 after raising a family and had a little more money to spend. Received KA9GVX call followed by N9IBU upgrade and now have my old call back as a vanity call.

Was active in Milwaukee ARES until we moved to West Bend in 1994, Held office in the Washington County Amateur Radio Club until last year.

73,
Bill

Recent VE Exams

MRAC VEC held VE testing on Saturday April 5, 2003 in conjunction with the AES Superfest. We had 19 examinees, and 14 were successful in either upgrading or in qualifying for their first license. A total of 29 Elements were administered. Those VEs who gave of their time and talents included the following:

Doug Awe N9VA
Mark Bye KB9LDX
Gabe Chido WI9GC

Kent Christiansen N9WH
Jim Cronin K9UGD
Tom Czaja KG9EE
Bob Hensiak AB9EZ
Kate Kedney KA9MWT
John Kraak KF9XL
Joe Mettry AA9DO
Patrick Moretti W9UQ
Tom Schulte AB9EK
Sherm Swanson KB9Q
Mark Tellier AB9CD
Our next exam session will be
Sat April 26, 2003 at AES.

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John (KF9XL)

John KF9XL

Donations

MRAC would like to thank the following for recent donations!

Bessie Beider, N9QIT
Delbert Clark, KA9ZMK
Charles Dawson, W9CUW
William Fullhart, W9WCF
Robert Hensiak, AB9EZ
John Leekley, WB9SMM
Willard Lorenz, W9ZOL
Don Meurer, KB9PRD
Patrick Moretti, W9UQ
Harold Newton, KB9OZN
George Pfister, W9IZQ
Matt Planning, KB9PRC
Kevin Reemes, KC9BZU
James Schmidt, KB9IIH
Hans Schroeder, AB9G
Thomas Schulte, AB9EK
Sherman Swanson, KB9Q
Mark Tellier, AB9CD
Verne Teske, W9RYA
Robert Tisdale, AA9VO
Jerry Wahlen, WA9CGE
Brian White, K9LCQ
Dick Wood, W9JBE

Your support of MRAC is greatly appreciated!

New Members

WELCOME these NEW MEMBERS!

David Lowe - KC9DLC
Joseph Schwarz, - N9UX
Gary Payne - N9VE
Jeff Annis - K9VS
DJ Farrell - KC9AYO



MRAC VEC - A Exam Schedule

- 9 AM (AES Superfest)
Saturday, April 26, 2003
9:30 AM - AES
- Saturday, May 31, 2003
9:30 AM - AES
- Saturday, July 26, 2003
9:30 AM - AES

AES is Amateur Electronics Supply and is located at 5700 W. Good Hope Rd. in Milwaukee, WI.



Board Election

With all that's going on in the world, time is moving quickly. It is hard to believe that we are into MRAC election season. At the May membership meeting on May 29, 2003, we will elect three members to serve as Directors for a term of two years each. Current Directors whose terms expire this year include Pancho Doneis - KA9OFA, John Merkl - WB9PSE, and Jerry Wahlen - WA9CGE.

The duties of Director include representing the membership at Board meetings, presenting ideas for club programs, and chairing a committee or two to keep the club functioning. As mentioned earlier, the term of office is two years.

MRAC is looking for candidates to run for the office of Director. Please contact a member of the nominating committee if you are interested. Nominating committee members are:

Jack Hughes - W9ULA
(414) 289-0997
Sherm Swanson - KB9Q
(262) 662-3824
John Kraak - KF9XL
(262) 786-2062

Thank you for your continuing interest in MRAC.

73, John KF9XL

FEBRUARY SIMPLEX CONTEST

The February 9, MRAC FM Simplex contest was an unqualified success. There were entries in every category and every license class was represented. Approximately 40 callsigns were noted during the checking of the logs. Here is the list of certificate winners:

- **FIRST PLACE**
AB9EK - Tom
- **SECOND PLACE**
W9UQ - Patrick
- **FIRST PLACE HT (NON-AMPLIFIED)**
N9MGJ, - Gary
- **2-METER BAND**
K9VS - Jeff
- **0.07-METER BAND**
K9IZV, Warren
- **6-METER BAND**
W9UQ - Patrick
- **1.25 METER BAND**
AB9EK - Tom
- **HIGH SWL SCORE**
N9LBN - Mark
- **HIGH SCORING CLUB**
The MRAC
- **SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT**
KB9WMJ, Keith
(Keith activated 8 band-grids while mobile but did not keep a log.)

And some of the comments received with the entries . . .

“Thank you for sponsoring the FM Simplex Contest. I enjoyed working some stations, and hope you will hold it again in the future. Sincerely, N9UX, Joe”

“First contest for me – Had a lot of fun – Hope you do it again. Thanks, 73 Gary” (N9MGJ)

I really appreciate the support of the Board and my Commit-

tee, AB9CD, Mark and AB9EK, Tom. Casual conversation during testing at Superfest brought up many points that would improve the event if the Board decides to do it again. Hopefully others will have some input and help smooth out the rough spots.

Here is some of the fine-tuning that was discussed.

1. Should we continue the 30-minute per band format or permit folks to work all four bands during the 2 hours? The original thought was to concentrate activity and quickly “clear” simplex frequencies such that the contest would not irritate the usual suspects on simplex. However, the accepted procedure in VHF/UHF contests is to move from band to band and work a station on all bands that you both have access to. This of course would also quickly clear FM simplex frequencies permitting other stations to move in. However, hanging around on all the bands for two hours might bring in the irritation factor noted above.

2. Should the SWL award be continued? There was only one entry in the SWL category; it was a heroic effort with 99 Q’s copied so the award was certainly deserved.

3. It was suggested that the Q-points be changed. This time 2 meters and 70 centimeters are one point, 6 meters is 2 points and 1.25 meters is 4 points. The goal of course is to reward those with FM equipment in less popular bands and thus encour-

age equipping for those bands. With all the dual band radios, I was surprised that the number of QSO’s in 70 centimeters was only half of those in 2 meters. It was suggested that the Q-points be set up as two meters one point, 70 centimeters two points, 6 meters three points and 1.25 meters 4 points.

4. The entry form needs a space for folks to list their category.

5. If we continue with the contest I think the second Sunday of the second Month at 2:00 PM (2-2-2) works out well. It has been suggested that one or two similar contests be considered between the February events. Options suggested were once during the summer and/or perhaps on the Sunday of the Packer bye week.

6. The goal to familiarize Technicians with simplex operation and think beyond the repeaters did not materialize. Almost all the entries were from experienced operators. This should be an issue for the club to address in the future. Maybe we could have a “training session” at a meeting or in neutral territory such as AES.

Again, those of you with ideas and comments, even if you did not participate this year, should send in your suggestions such that we can perfect the format. Either vocalize them to a committee member or contact us at a meeting or testing session. And of course, I’m always at kb9q@arrl.net.

73/ Sherman
KB9Q

W1AW Schedule

SB QST ARL ARLB028
ARLB028 W1AW 2003 Spring/Summer Operating
Schedule

Morning Schedule:

Time	Mode	Days
1300 UTC (9 AM EDT)	CWs	Wed, Fri
1300 UTC (9 AM EDT)	CWf	Tue, Thu

Daily Visitor Operating Hours:

1400 UTC to 1600 UTC - (10 AM to 12 PM EDT)

1700 UTC to 1945 UTC - (1 PM to 3:45 PM EDT)

(Station closed 1600 to 1700 UTC (12 PM to 1 PM EDT))

Afternoon/Evening Schedule:

2000 UTC (4 PM EDT)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
2000 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
2100 " (5 PM EDT)	CWb	Daily
2200 " (6 PM EDT)	RTTY	Daily
2300 " (7 PM EDT)	CWs	Mon, Wed, Fri
2300 " "	CWf	Tue, Thu
0000 " (8 PM EDT)	CWb	Daily
0100 " (9 PM EDT)	RTTY	Daily
0145 " (9:45 PM EDT)	VOICE	Daily
0200 " (10 PM EDT)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
0200 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
0300 " (11 PM EDT)	CWb	Daily

Notes:

CWs = Morse Code practice (slow) = 5, 7.5, 10, 13 and 15
WPM CWf = Morse Code practice (fast) = 35, 30, 25, 20, 15,
13 and 10 WPM CWb = Morse Code Bulletins = 18 WPM
CW frequencies include code practices, Qualifying Runs
and CW bulletins.

RTTY = Teleprinter Bulletins = BAUDOT (45.45 baud)
and AMTOR-FEC (100 Baud). ASCII (110 Baud) is sent
only as time allows.

Code practice texts are from QST, and the source of each
practice is given at the beginning of each practice and at
the beginning of alternate speeds.

On Tuesdays and Fridays at 2230 UTC (6:30 PM EDT),
Keplerian Elements for active amateur satellites are sent
on the regular teleprinter frequencies.

A DX bulletin replaces or is added to the regular bulle-
tins between 0000 UTC (8 PM EDT) Thursdays and 0000
UTC (8 PM EDT) Fridays.

In a communications emergency, monitor W1AW for spe-
cial bulletins as follows: Voice on the hour, Teleprinter at 15
minutes past the hour, and CW on the half hour.

FCC licensed amateurs may operate the station from 1400
UTC to 1600 UTC (10 AM to 12 PM EDT), and then from
1700 UTC to 1945 UTC (1 PM to 3:45 PM EDT) Monday
through Friday. Be sure to bring your current FCC ama-
teur license or a photocopy.

The complete W1AW Operating Schedule may be found
on page 93 in the April 2003 issue of QST or on the web at,
<http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html> .. NNNN /EX

Frequencies (MHz)

CW:	1.818	3.5815	7.0475	14.0475	18.0975	21.0675	28.0675	147.555
RTTY:	-	3.625	7.095	14.095	18.1025	21.095	28.095	147.555
VOICE:	1.855	3.990	7.290	14.290	18.160	21.390	28.590	147.555



Field Day Coming - - - Soooooon!

Saturday & Sunday June 28 & 29, 2003

We will need operators and station captains. We will begin set-
ting up around 8:00-8:30 AM on Saturday morning. Some will
stay all night and some will be there only a couple of hours or so.
Come and be a part of lots of fun and sharpen up your operating
skills. Stay a little while or stay all night.

We'll need people to help tear down late Sunday morning, also.
Pioneer Village is ten miles north of Cedarburg on highway "I".

Talk it up and be there!



EVENTS

* indicates VEC Testing

VE Testing *

Lewis & Clark Radio Club HamFest*
SAT. - APR. 26, 2003

Lewis & Clark Community College
Godfrey, IL
145.23 rptr.

Cedarburg SwapFest *
SAT. - MAY 3, 2003
Circle B Recreation Center
Cedarburg, WI
T/I on 146.97- (PL127.3 Hz)

Dayton Hamvention
MAY16-18, 2003
Dayton, OH

Chicago Amateur Radio Club
HamFest
SUN. - MAY 25, 2003
DeVry University
Chicago, IL

Princeton HamFest
SUN. - JUN. 1, 2003
Bureau Co. Fairgrounds
Princeton, IL
T/I on 146.955 MHz - (103.5 PL)

Six Meter Club of Chicago
HamFest *
SUN. - JUNE 8, 2003
DuPage Co Fairgrounds
Wheaton, IL
T/I on 146.37/97 (PL 107.2Hz)

ARRL Field Day
SAT. & SUN. - JUN. 28&29, 2003
Pioneer Village
Cedarburg, WI

SMARC SwapFest
SAT. - JUL. 12, 2003
American Legion Post 434
9327 S. Shepard Ave.
Oak Creek, WI

FRRL HamFest *
SUN. - JUL. 20, 2003
Waubensee Community College
Sugar Grove, IL
T/I on 147.210+ PL 103.5/107.2 rptr.

Circus City SwapFest *
SAT. - AUG. 9, 2003
Sauk Co. Fairgrounds
Baraboo, WI
T/I on 147.315+ (PL123.0 Hz) rptr.



Use it or lose it -- our Repeater.

145.390 MHz - offset and PL of 127.3Hz

Meeting Schedule

Our Meeting schedule for year
2003 through June:

Thu. - Apr. 24, '03

Thu. - May 29, '03

Thu. - Jun. 26, '03

See you there!

Pancho - KA9OFA

Credits

Our thanks to our news contributors
this month:

AB9CD	K9LCQ	W9SFH
KA9DFZ	W9UQ	W9WCF
AB9EK	KF9PU	KF9FX
	KB9Q	

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Thanks to Jerry Wahlen - WA9CGE for hosting our Friday night nets and chairing the Field Day committee.

Special thanks to all of our officers (past and present) who have tirelessly toiled for the good of the Club and Amateur Radio in general.

Many Thanks!

M.R.A.C.

Meetings are normally held the last Thursday of each month except in December.

Our next meeting is;

Thursday - April 24, 2002.

at 7:00 PM at:

Redemption Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall

4057 N. Mayfair Rd.

(Use the south entrance)

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

Please! Don't call the Church

Attention!!!

Program for the
April 24 MRAC meeting
will be the Severe
Weather Spotter Training
program by Skip -
WD9HAS, which was cut
short at our March meet-
ing by a power outage.

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